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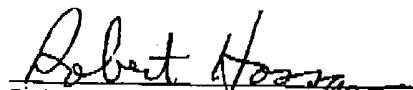
I, Robert Hossan, declare and say:

1. I am a co-inventor with Adeyinka Adedeji and others in U.S. Patent No. 6,486,244, filed on January 18, 2001 and issued on November 26, 2002, and which is a divisional of U.S. Patent No. 6,258,879 filed on April 2, 1999 and issued on July 10, 2001. U.S. Patent Nos. 6,486,244 and 6,258,879 disclose a concentrate comprising a polyphenylene ether resin and an organic phosphate compound. The concentrate may optionally comprise at least one nonelastomeric polymer of an alkenylaromatic compound. The specification discloses that nonelastomeric block copolymer compositions of styrene and butadiene can also be used that have linear block, radial block or tapered block copolymer architectures.

2. During discussions regarding the concentrate disclosed in U.S. Patent Nos. 6,486,244 and 6,258,879, and in particular during discussions of the optional components that could be included in the concentrate, Adeyinka Adejeji suggested the inclusion of nonelastomeric block copolymer compositions of styrene and butadiene and in particular, those having linear block, radial block or tapered block copolymer architectures. Thus it is my belief that Adeyinka Adejeji was the originator and inventor of this idea.

3. I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any patent resulting therefrom.

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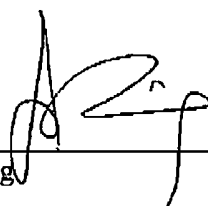
I, Sai Pei Ting, declare and say:

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